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PROCEEDINGS.

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FRIDAY, August 15th, 1879.

The Ivy Union Sabbath School Convention convened in its twenty-fourth annual session at Long's Chapel.

In consequence of the absence of Dr. Jesse Wallen, who was appointed at the last session to deliver the annual sermon at this session that service was omitted. Opening hymn, "Jesus keep me near the cross." Prayer by Bro. W. P. Basset and Rev. A. M. Penland followed by practical introductory. Remarks by the Chairman. Rev. J. R. Wild.

Intermission for ten minutes.

Reassembled. Prayer by Rev. W. Starke. The Chairman called the Convention to order.

1st. Called the roll of schools and enrolled their delegates' names, viz.:

Pan Handle—J. W. Revis, M. Rice and W. O. McDaris.

Red Oak—W. P. Basset and J. M. Buckner.

North Fork of Big Pine Creek—Rev. J. R. Wild, G. W. Baker, R. G. Wild and P. M. Morgan.

Stroup's Chapel—Rev. A. M. Penland and J. M. Roberts.

Walnut Creek—W. J. Freeman and A. J. Ramsey.

Reems Creek—A. A. Jump and J. G. Barrett.

Mount Chapel—Jesse T. Morgan and M. Burnell.

Union Church—R. P. Brittain, A. F. Eller, J. H. Moter, J. R. Cheek and F. R. McEntyre.

Flats of Spring Creek—J. B. Baldwin.

Hayes' Mountain—J. A. Hunter, J. C. Fox and E. Guthrie.

2nd. On motion, the change of the name of Davis' School House to Long's Chapel was accepted by the Convention.

Long's Chapel—N. M. Kilpatrick, W. D. Black, J. B. Edwards, S. A. Penland and W. S. Parker.

Slate School House—J. A. Black, J. L. Wilson, M. Parham.

Alexander's Chapel—W. A. Wagoner, J. N. Embler.

3d. Invited new Schools, and the following with their delegates were received, viz:

Big Pine—M. A. Goforth, E. D. Randal.

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Martin School House—Rev. A. I. Justice, J. R. Byrum.

Pleasant Grove—J. E. Penland, T. W. Wagoner, H. C. Hamilton, H. Brank.

Mars Hill—W. P. Jervis.

Little Ivy—M. K. Banks and Wm. Edwards.

4TH. Elected Rev. A. M. Penland Chairman, Rev. J. R. Wild Chaplain, and W. P. Jervis Secretary.

5TH. On motion, Rev. W. Starke, of the M. E. Church, was invited and accepted a seat in the Convention.

6TH. Agpointed Committees, viz:

ON PUBLIC WORSHIP—W. P. Basset, J. E. Penland, and the delegates of Long's Chapel Sunday School.

ON SABBATH SCHOOLS—Rev. A. I. Justice, J. R. Byrum and A. A. Jump.

ON DESTITUTION—Rev. J. R. Wild, W. J. Freeman and R. P. Brittain.

ON FINANCE—S. A. Penland and A. J. Ramsey.

ON ARRANGEMENT—Revs. J. R. Wild, A. I. Justice and J. H. Moten.

7TH. On motion, agreed to spend 30 minutes in prayer meeting to-morrow morning.

After devotional services by the Chaplain, the Convention adjourned to 8:30 o'clock A. M. Saturday.

SATURDAY, AUG. 16TH, 1879.

The Convention met agreeable to adjournment. Spent 30 minutes in prayer meeting conducted by the Chairman.

9TH. Received and approved the report of the Committee of Arrangement.

10TH. Read and approved the record of yesterday.

11TH. Read Constitution and Rules of Order.

12TH. Called on Schools to report that failed to report yesterday, which was responded to by the following, and delegates enrolled, viz.:

Fork of Ivy—J. C. Sams, J. M. Sams, J. E. Davis, N. T. Buckner.

Allman School House—A. Lockhart, Lewis Allman and W. B. Pickens.

Dick's Creek—M. B. Wild, W. E. Pounders, J. Beechboard.

Laurel Branch—J. N. Hunter.

Flat Creek—J. T. Myers, E. C. Chambers, W. E. Clark and W. S. Roberts.

Gabriel's Creek—Report, but no delegates.
Pleasant Gap—R. W. Edwards, J. H. Holcombe, S. A. Carter.
Oak Grove—J. H. Carter, R. A. Pickens and L. F. Eller.

13TH. Invited new Schools and received the following, viz.:
Paint Fork—J. M. Ray, J. M. Anderson and C. C. Metcalf.
Beaver Dam—S. E. Herren and W. B. Scarbor.

14TH. Displayed S. S. banners before the audience.

15TH. Called for and received the report of schools, which were interesting and encouraging to the earnest worker in the Sabbath School cause. The Convention at this point adjourned for ten minutes, at the expiration of which reconvened and was entertained by a sermon by Rev. Amos I. Justice from the text, "And now abideth Faith, Hope and Charity, these thsee; but the greatest of these is Charity; 1st Cor., 13 : 13. After which an intermission of one hour was given for refreshment. Reassembled.

16TH. Report on Temperance read by J. H. Moten.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

Your committee most respectfully submit that they are of the opinion that the Bible forbids the use of anything that tends to destroy both soul and body. They are further of the opinion that all intoxicating drinks have this tendency. Therefore, if we would obey the teachings of the word of God, we must entirely abstain from the use of all spirituous liquors. Believing this to be the only perfectly safe way of avoiding its ruinous effects, we should most heartily give our influence in the aid of temperance reform, and warn young men and old, in school and out of school, of the danger of coming within the coil of that serpent whose touch is poison and whose sting is death.

J. H. MOTEN, Chairman.

The report elicited interesting remarks by J. H. Maten, Revs. J. R. Wild, A. M. Penland and others; after which it was adopted.

16TH. Report on Sabbath Schools read by Rev. A. I. Justice.

REPORT ON SABBATH SCHOOLS.

Your committee on Sabbath Schools beg leave to submit the following report: In view of the great importance of training the rising generation we feel constrained to say in our opinion the Sabbath School cause is of unmeasurable necessity. It tends to eradicate evil from the mind and implnt instead thereof the beautics of religion. It elevates the general disposition and temperaments of our fallen nature to that height which the Great Creator intended us to occupy; in short, it makes us better men and women and fits us for the trials and conflicts of this life, through which the people of God must pass ere they enter that Beautiful Land. When we look back over the twenty-four years that have elapsed since the organization of this body we feel thankrul to Almighty God for the great good which has been accomplished—waste places have been broken up and Sabbath Schools reared on the ruins of sin. Brethren, in view of the great good accomplished in the past, let us take fresh courage and march boldly to the conflict, knowing that we shall come out more than conquerors through Him who loved us. We should take all needful care to make our schools successful and our lessons effectual, and to aid in this consummation we would suggest to the various schools the propriety of taking and using the International Lesson papers, as we regard them of inestimable value in our

classes. The work is a glorious one, and let us to-day, standing upon the broad principles of the American S. S. Union, start on a new march to victory.

A. I. JUSTICE, Chairman.

After feeling remarks by Revs. Justice, Wild, Penland and Brother Kilpatrick, the report was adopted.

18TH. On motion a committee consisting of J. C. Sams, J. H. Moten and R. P. Brittain, was appointed to arrange exercises for Sabbath. After consultation this committee submitted the following as the order of business for the day, which was accepted by the convention, viz: 1st. Meet at 8:30 o'clock, devote 30 minutes to prayer meeting. 2d. Sunday school speeches by Hon. R. B. Vance, Rev. J. R. Wild and others. After music by the choir the chaplain conducted devotional services. Adjourned to 7 o'clock P. M.

NIGHT SESSION.

Met according to adjournment. Sang "Jesus, lover of my soul."

19TH. Report on Destitution read and adopted.

REPORT ON DESTITUTION.

Your committee on Destitution is thankful and happy to say that they are unable to report very many places in the bounds of this Convention that are at present destitute of Sabbath Schools. It seems that the interest is still growing, the laborers are more plentiful, and the army of Sunday School children and workers is increasing every year. May God speed the time when the rising generation may take a deeper interest and lend a helping hand in the great and glorious work, the object of which is to farther the knowledge of truth and the advancement of the Redeemer's kingdom. Destitute places East side of the River: Dry Branch; West side: Little Pine Creek and Pau Pau.

J. R. WILD, Chair'n.

20TH. Report on Finance read by S. A. Penland..

REPORT ON FINANCE.

Your committee report received from schools $15.70.

S. A. PENLAND, Chairman.

21ST. Called on missionaries to report. Bro. W. P. Basset, Rev. J. R. Wild and Bro. J. H. Moten, missionaries appointed at last session, responded that they have labored to the extent of their ability in the Sunday school cause, and have reason to believe that their labors have been effectual.

22ND. On motion agreed to hold the next annual session of the Convention at the Flats of Spring Creek, Madison county, N. C., to convene on Friday before the third Sabbath in August, 1880. Rev. A. I. Justice was chosen to deliver the annual sermon, with Rev. J. R. Wild as alternate.

23RD. Appointed the Secretary to superintend the printing

and distributing of the minutes, and that he have four dollars for his services.

24TH. Called for Resolutions. The following were submitted:

Resolved, That this Convention be divided into three districts, for the purpose of accomplishing effectual missionary work, as follows: The first district to consist of the territory within the bounds of the Convention on the South side of the French Broad river; the second district to include the territory situate between the French Broad River and Big Ivy, and the third district to comprise all the territory within our bounds North and West of Big Ivy and the French Broad River below the mouth of Ivy, and that there be appointed in each district a sufficient number of missionaries to visit each school now in operation, and to organize schools in destitute places, and that Teachers' and Superintendents' meetings be held quarterly.

W. S. ROBERTS.

Resolved, That in pursuance of the above resolution, Revs. J. R. Wild, A. I. Justice, J. R. Byrum, M. B. Wild and J. B. Baldwin be assigned as Missionaries in the First District: Rev. A. M. Penland, J. C. Sams A. F. Eller and W. P. Basset in the Second, and Dr. Jesse Wallen, Revs. W. Anderson, W. P. Jervis and J. M. Ray in the Third.

Resolved, That we advise our schools to look after the orphan children in their bounds, and to provide means to enable them to appear creditably in Sunday School. M. B. WILD.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention are hereby tendered to the citizens of Long's Chapel for the manner in which they have entertained its delegates and friends of the Sunday School cause during its present session.

The choir sang, "Christ is walking on the water," followed by an earnest and touching prayer by the Chairman, after which the Convention, with benediction by the Chaplain, adjourned to time and place above mentioned.

SABBATH, AUGUST 18TH, 1879.

The Convention, together with a large audience, met in Sunday school mass meeting at the appointed hour. The choir sang, "Sowing in the morning." Prayer meeting conducted by the chairman. Hon. R. B. Vance then entertained the friends of the Sabbath School cause in one of his happiest efforts, followed by Rev. J. R. Wild, in a very practical and appropriate talk. Also a short talk by our old Sunday School veteran, J. C. Sams, in one of his most earnest modes. It was indeed a happy and cheering day to the true lover of the Sunday School cause. Too much cannot be said in commendation of the noble choir, composed of singers from the different schools which charmed the Convention with its sweet strains of music during its entire session.

May the labors of this session prove a blessing of life unto life.

REV. A. M. PENLAND, Chairman.

W. P. JERVIS, Secretary.

STATISTICAL REPORT.

Schools.	Superintend'ts.	Post Offices.	No. Officers.	Chapters read.	Pages read.	Verses memorized.	Questions answered.	No. enrolled.	Average attendance.	Chapters investigated.	No. Sabbaths in school.	Volumes in Library.	Contribution for minutes.
Laurel Branch	C. M. Gowan	Marshall	3	13041	2910	2988	557	25	5	40			$ 80
Oak Grove	B. L Eller	Flat Creek	4	3461	14613		195	75	50	98			30
Pan Handle	J. J. Fisher	Marshall	2	5240	274		350	52	25		17		40
Union Church	R. P. Brittain	Weaverville	9	11723	16182	8674	244	103	65	38	48		50
Forks Big Pine Creek	Rev. J. R. Wild	Big Pine Creek	13	1672				107	76	5	18		85
Fork of Ivy	J. C. Sams	Morgan Hill	4	6972	2540	112		90	55		17		1 15
Pleasant Gap	G. W. Stephens	Ivy	10	18344	15897	945	824	50	30		48	85	70
Walnut creek	L. H. Freeman	Marshall	5	6507	9751	152	163		40				35
Dick's creek	M. B. Wild	Asheville	2	10588	211			70	37				75
Reems creek	W. T. Hemphill	Vaneeville	3	2824	7193		5892	59	30	100	50	105	
Mount chapel	Jesse T. Morgan	Flat Creek	6	3046			210			53	52		
Long's chapel	N. M. Kilpatrick	Weaverville	6	6939	3839	457		37	16	43	47		45
Flat creek	J. T. Myers	Flat Creek	4	15501	3973	2625			47	105		60	65
Hayes' Mountain	E. B. Crowder	Marshall	10	5110	2479			81	68		17		60
Flats of Spring creek	A. J. Woody	Spring Creek	9	2234	600			52	29	9	7		
Stroup's chapel	R. J. Allison		4	576			1831				50	30	50
Red Oak	W. P. Basset	French Broad											
Alexander's chapel	J. L. Ward	Weaverville	7	1504	800	100		60	35		19		
Big Pine	R. H. Massey	Big Pine Creek	4	1820	600	8		45	18	13	"		50
French Broad	John Miles	French Broad	2	39				38	10				45
Martin School House	Rev. A. I. Justice	" "	2	2225				75	50				50
Pleasant Grove	W. A. Wagoner	Weaverville	7	2739	3835		335	47	20	21	12		
Allman School House	A. Lockhart	Stockville	7	1300			50				10		
Mars Hill	John R. Sams	Mars Hill	2	816	740			32	23	22			50
Paint Fork	J. M. Brown	Ivy	5	10474	19198			77	43				60
Slate School House	J. F. Hawkins	French Broad	6	335	2304		125	41	17	10			50
Gabriel's creek	Rev. L. Dewese	Marshall	3	3906	834			54					60
Beaver Dam	Isaiah E. Herren	Asheville	6	118	464		1908	41	35	04	10		25
Little Ivy	H. B. Daniel	Ivy		3154	1870				40				

Received of W P Jervis $11.70 for printing 425 copies of the Minutes for 1879. FURMAN & STONE.

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PROCEEDINGS.

Red Hill, N. C., August 18, 1900.

At 10:30 o'clock A. M. the Ivy Union Sunday School Convention came together by singing "Jesus Lover of My Soul."

Prayer by Rev. T. J. Murphy.

10:45 A. M. Address of Welcome by J. Y. Sawyer, Supt. of Red Hill Sunday School.

Response by L. H. Roberts, of Locust Grove.

The former Secretary being absent, G. H. Ramsey was elected Secretary protem.

The enrollment of Delegates from various schools was taken. Absentees were dropped from the list at rool call Saturday afternoon.

North Fork Big Pine,—J. N. Gentry, Joe Sawyer, Conley Sawyer, J. E. Davis, G. W. Wild, Misses Tryphenie Wild, Maggie Lunsford and Attie Wild.

Anderson Branch,—Mrs. W. B. Wild, Misses Lindia Tweed and Dora Freeman, W. B. Wild and Evan Goforth.

Laurel Fork,—Mrs. Eugenia Ramsey, G. H. Ramsey and Rev. T. A. Center.

Long Branch,—W. B. Tweed, T. F. Wild, J. N. Fisher, H. E. Hunter, L. B. McDavis and Miss Frona Ellington.

Red Hill,—E. W. Briggs, Sam Crow, and Miss Lora Crane.

Pleasant Gap,—J. Y. Sawyer, L. F. Smith, Tom Sawyer and Mrs. Etta Sawyer.

Walnut Creek,—J. N. Jones, R. N. Branson and Miss Carrie Jones.

Marshall,—Mrs. S. J. Abernathy, Mrs. Mary Hudgins, Rev. Garrett Ramsey and C. B. Mashburn.

Dry Branch,—J. W. Davis, Luther Faulkner, Misses Mamie and Hallie Roberts.

Walnut Run,—L. M. Sprinkle, R. P. Wild, Norman West, Misses Princie Wallin, Dora Ellington and Thursa Barnett.

Jupiter,—Miss Jainie Fox, Messrs. L. B. Robinson and T. H. McLean.

Locust Grove,—J. A. Griffith, M. E. Herron, O. M. Roberts and L. H. Roberts.

Reynolds Hill,—Lewis Sawyer, Victor Reynolds and George Waters.

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Piney Grove,—Miss Julia Landers.

Refuge,—W. V. Hunter, Carrie Peek, Callie Peek and Eliza Hunter.

On motion Cutshaw's Chapel and Middle Laurel with their delegates were received into the body.

Cutshaw's Chapel,—J. W. Crow, Williard Shelton, Roscoe Hensley, Misses Lula Gilbert and Lula Chandly.

Middle Laurel,—J. W. Crow, Macon Shelton and Williard Shelton.

PERMANENT ORGANIZATION.

On motion the regular order of the Convention was suspended and the officers of the body elected by acclamation as follows: Rev. Jacob R. Wild, Chairman; G. Henry Ramsey, Secretary; Rev. James M. Pickins, Chaplain.

A motion was made that the Supt. of Red Hill Sunday School, J. Y. Sawyer, have charge of the singing.

Song,—"Am I a Soldier of the Cross."

Visiting Sunday School Workers were invited to take a part in the Convention. The hand of greeting was offered to any such brethren by the Chairman.

Response,—E. M. Wright, Greenville, Tenn.; J. Murphy, Wough, Tenn. The following committees were appointed:

On Sunday Schools,—T. H. McLean, Mrs. Mary Hudgins, Mrs. W. B. Wild.

Committee on Finance,—T. H. Center, F. M. Hamrick and W. B. Wild.

Committee on Temperance,—Mrs. W. B. Wild and Miss Iona Ball.

Committee on Time, Place and Programme,—C. B. Mashburn, T. A. Center, J. M. Jones and J. M. Pickens.

Committee on Education,—Mrs. Eugenia Ramsey, T. H. McLean and C. B. Mashburn.

Song,—"There is a Fountain Filled With Blood," by Red Hill Choir.

A motion was passed to give Red Hill Sunday School control of the Devotional Service of the Convention.

A motion was passed to suspend the night session of the Convention.

1:30 P. M. Motion for adjournment until 9:30 o'clock Saturday morning.

Doxology.

Benediction by the Chaplain.

SATURDAY MORNING—Second Day.

Convention came together by singing,—"Go Work in My Vinyard," "There's Sunshine in My Soul" and "I'm Longing for Home."

Prayer by Rev. C. G. Gentry.

Song,—"At the Cross."

Remarks by the Chairman.

9:45 A. M. Reading of the Programme by the Chaplain.

A motion was made to have a committee to select the question from the question box.

Committee,—W. B. Wild, J. W. Crow and R. N. Branson.

Song,—"O, Think of the Home Over There."

Hand of greeting extended to Rev. G. C. Gentry from the East Tennessee Association Convention.

Schools failing to answer Friday were called for.

Song,—"Gathered Home."

11:00 A. M. The regular programme of the Convention taken up.

By suggestion of the Chairman the first question was passed without discussion.

Second question,—"What are the proper qualifications of a Sunday School Teacher?" was taken up.

Short speeches were made by Rev. Murphy, Garrett Ramsey and Mrs. W. B. Wild.

Song,—"We're Going Home."

On motion the question passed.

The next question,—"Does the Holy Spirit operate mediately or immediately on sinners in conversion?"

Opened by Rev. Murphy.

Song,—"I Must tell Jesus." Followed by G. C. Gentry's remarks on the subject.

Song,—"Rest over Jordon."

On motion the question passed.

The next question,—"The Relation of the Sunday School to the Conversion of the World," was taken up and passed.

Next question,—"The obligation of the present to the future generations," was taken up

Opened by Rev. Murphy, followed by G. C. Gentry and Rev. Garrett Ramsey.

Chaplain read the programme for the afternoon.

Motion by C. B. Mashburn that the committee on Time, Place and Programme report immediately atftern on.

Song,—"Come Unto Me."

Benediction by Rev. Murphy.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Singing by Refuge Choir.

1:45 Report of the Committee on Education called for and reported as follows:

We, your Committee on Education, recognize the importance of intellectual and physical training of the young men and women of our land along with the moral and religious culture.

And we recommend that the Sunday Schools of the Ivy Union Sunday School Convention lend their aid and encouragement to the education of the youths of our land.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. EUGENIA RAMSEY,
T. H. MCLAIN,
C. B. MASHBURN,
MISS IONA BALL,
} Com.

Short speeches were made by C. B. Mashburn, J. R. Wild, G. C. Gentry and Rev. Murphy.

Song,—"Send the Word," by Refuge Choir.

On motion the report of the Educational Committee was adopted.

On motion the next question,—"How to Study the Bible," was taken up. Opened by J. W. Roberts.

Song,—"Come and Help Us."

Roll Call and absentees dropped from the list.

Song,—"Sing the Gospel Story."

Committee on Finance reported as follows:

We, your Committee on Finance report that the amount received from various schools is $13.14.

Respectfully submitted,

T. A. CENTER,
F. M. HAMRICK,
W. B. WILD,
} Com.

TIME, PLACE AND PROGRAMME.

Report on Time, Place and Programme.

Time,—Friday before the Third Sunday in August, at 10:00 a. m. o'clock.

Place,—Oak Grove, Jupiter, N. C.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1st. The permanent Secretary of the Forty-fifth Annual Session of the Ivy Union Sunday School Convention shall call the Convention to order and invite a competent person to take the chair as temporary Chairman of the Convention.

The Convention shall then be opened with prayer by the Chairman of the previous session of the Convention.

Song by the Choir.

Address of Welcome by the Supt. of Oak Grove Sunday School.

Response by J. H. White, Marshall, N. C.

Song.

Introductory Address by Hon. C. B. Mashburn.

Song.

Adjournment.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

1:30 P. M. Roll Call.

Permanent organization by electing Chairman and Secretary.

Appointment of Committees.

Song.

Subject for Discussion.

Literature, the kind, and how far should we use it, by J. M. Pickens.

Adjournment.

SATURDAY MORNING.

9:30 A. M. Opening with prayer by the Chaplain and song by the Choir.

Reading of letters from the various Sunday Schools.

Subject for discussion: The need of more spirituality in our Sunday School work. J. R. Wild, T. A. Center.

Song.

Adjournment.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

1:30 P. M. Song.

Report of Committees.

Question Box opened.

Song.

Adjournment.

SUNDAY MORNING.

9:30 A. M. Devotional Services for 30 minutes.

Song.

Report of Committees.

Song.

Fraternal Addresses and Essays.

Song,—"God be With You Till we Meet Again."

Adjournment.

Respectfully submitted,

J. N. Jones,
C. B. Mashburn,
T. A. Center. } Com.

On motion the report was adopted.

On motion the Clerk was ordered to superintend the printing and distributing the Minutes and that he be allowed five dollars for his service.

Song,—"Now He Calls."

Adjournment.

Doxology.

Prayer by Rev. J. M. Pickens.

SUNDAY MORNING.

9:00 .A. M. Devotional Services.

Chairman took the chair and called the house to order.

Visiting brethren were invited to take a seat in the body.

Rev. Owens and J. H. Ballard were extended the hand of greeting.

Song,—"Longing for Home."

Report on Sunday Schools.

We, your committee on Sunday Schools report as follows:

We believe the Sunday School work to be on a higher plain than ever before.

Now, brethren of this Convention when you return to your homes we insist that you emphasize and put into practice the following truths,—That our teachers be Christians. Their one aim should be for the strengthening of Christians and the salvation of the lost.

Respectfully submitted,

T. H. McLean,
J. W. Crow.
Mrs. W. B. Wild, } Com.

Remarks on the subject were made by J. M. Pickens, Garrett Ramsey, Rev. Murphy and R. N. Branson.

Mrs. Mary Hudgins read an interesting essay on Sunday Schools which was adopted as part of the report.

It reads as follows:

We, can truly say this is a day of Sunday Schools.

We feel that the trumpet call has been obeyed and the great hosts of Sunday School Workers are marching with a mighty tread, gathering up the children and teaching them the "Wonderful Story of Love," "Suffer the little children to come unto me and forbid them not."

The Ivy Union Sunday School Convention once had a struggle to exist, but we are happy to say that men and women all over our country are glad to attend and tell of the wonderful and glorious work God has wrought through the Sunday School conducted by consecrated men and women.

The faculties for imparting the truths of God upon the mind

were never better than now, maps, charts, pictures and diagrams are to be had for a very small sum, and are a great help especially to the infant class.

Robert Raikes is just called the founder of the modern system of Sunday Schools, but there were many Sunday Schools before the days of Robert Raikes.

There were the old Catechetical Sunday Schools.

Martin Luther had Sunday School in Wittemburg in 1527.

John Knox had a system of schools for the religious instruction of the children of Scotland as early as 1560. But to us of the twentieth century belongs the greatest privilege of enjoying Sunday School work in its fullest sense.

We have in St. Luke an account of our Saviour teaching in the Sabbath School. "He went into the synagogue on the Sabbath day and stood up for to read."

The Sunday School has often been called the nursery of the church.

It is said that once in one of Moody's great revivals it was requested that every one that had been a Sunday School scholar when they were converted, to stand up. Very nearly every one stood up. He then asked all to stand who were Christians and had never been to Sunday School, and only two stood. He said that of itself was as good a lecture as he could ask for.

Report on Sunday Schools adopted.

Report on Temperance called for and the committee reported as follows.

We, your Committee on Temperance report as follows:

While we are glad the subject of temperance is agitating the minds of the people throughout the country, we must admit the need is great and beg that every Christian in this Convention shall put forth their earnest efforts in this great battle, this fight against the devil and his host. Respectfully your Committee,

Mrs. W. B. Wild,
Miss Iona Ball.

Very touching remarks were made on the subject by Mrs. W. B. Wild and Mrs. Mary Hudgins.

Miss Iona Ball also read quite an interesting essay on this subject.

Song,—"Tell the News."

Report on Temperance adopted.

Fraternal speeches by Rev. T. J. Murphy, G. J. Owens and J. H. Ballard.

A collection was taken to pay the expenses of the Convention, amounting to $2.42.

On motion the following Resolutions of Thanks were passed:

Resolved, That we, the Ivy Union Sunday School Convention

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at Red Hill do tender our sincere thanks to the citizens of Red Hill for the hospitable manner in which we have been entertained during this Convention.

Respectfully submitted,

W. B. WILD.

Song,—"There is a Fountain Filled With Blood."

Hand shaking and a tender good-bye.

The Convention adjourned to meet one year hence at Oak Grove Church, Friday before the third Sunday in August, 1901.

Benediction by Rev. Murphy.

Thus closed a very profitable and interesting Session of the Ivy Union Sunday School Convention.

G. H. RAMSEY,
Secretary.

REV. J. R. WILD,
Chairman.

Statistical Table.

SCHOOLS.	SUPERINTENDENTS.	POST OFFICES.	Officers	Teachers	Chapters Read	Pages	Questions Answered	Verses Memorized	Sundays in School	Average Attendance	Enrollment	Mite Fund
Big Pine, N. F.	J. N. Buckner	Big Pine	....	....	13 062	.....	.....	138	36	54	....	$ 1 47
Anderson Branch	Miss May Faggart	Barnard	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	52	85	....	50
Cutshaw's Chapel	W. G. Shelton	White Rock	6	6	10 000	.....	.....	25 000	20	60	....	1 00
Middle Laurel	W. G. Shelton	White Rock	6	6	4 250	.....	.....	600	17	65	....	47
Locust Grove	S. E. Arrowood	Stockville	4	6	17 985	*	.....	.....	52	54	84	50
Dry Branch	J. B. Martin	Marshall	....	4	9 758	30 528	.....	412	45	42	....	50
Laurel Fork	J. T. Solesbee	Marshall	3	4	6 804	20 713	2 087	2 028	24	45	75	1 00
Marshall	Mrs. M. Hudgins	Marshall	2	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	52	51	....	2 00
Jupiter	Ora Gates	Jupiter	2	3	5 368	.....	3 600	158	50	30	50	50
* Refuge	W. B. Smith	Jupiter	5	3	4 052	14 732	2 100	.....	25	25	45	50
Long Branch	W. B. Tweed	Marshall	....	....	5 486	.....	556	.....	11	44	83	75
Red Hill	G. Y. Sawyer	Leonard	4	5	3 020	.....	.....	843	21	59	....	60
Piney Grove	James Landers	Stackhouse	5	4	6 736	564	.....	612	52	83	....	55
Walnut Creek	J. N. Jones	Marshall	3	5	10 098	1 344	604	.....	46	35	....	80
Walnut Run	F. M. Hamrick	Walnut Run	2	4	6 242	2 056	1 106	568	38	33	82	.....
Reynolds Hill	T. C. Gentry	Sandy	5	4	7 719	.....	.....	1 908	29	35	75	65
Pleasant Gap	W. H. Sutherland	Democrat	...	....	7 180	2 797	.....	280	32	23	....	85

* Amount Collected for Missions, $7.75.

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PROCEEDINGS.

The Fifty-Eighth Annual Session of the Ivy Union Sunday School Convention was held with the Beech Glen Union Sunday School August 8th, 9th and 10th, 1913.

At 10 a. m. after singing a few good songs the Convention was called to order by Mr. J. W. Crow, Chairman of the preceeding Convention. Prayer and song was followed by the address of welcome from J. M. Gibbs, Superintendent of Beech Glen Sunday School. His warm and hearty words made the delegates and visiting Sunday School workers feel that they were indeed welcome to the hospitality of the good people of Beech Glen. Jasper Ebbs then made the introductory address. A song was sung by the choir, after which the Convention adjourned till 1:30 p. m.

Afternoon Session.

Convention met according to adjournment. Session opened with song and prayer. Chair called the house to order and proceeded with the enrollment of various schools and delegates (absentees were dropped from list at roll call.)

Freezeland—Jasper Ebbs.

Anderson Branch—By Proxy.

Dry Branch—Robert Crow, Miss Nettie Henderson, David Briggs and Altha Briggs.

Beech Glen—A. C. Angel, H. H. Carson, R. L. Brigmon, Miss Vivian McElroy, Miss Rebecca Halcombe and Mrs. D. E. Clouse.

Red Hill—Frank Ramsey.

Laurel Fork—J. E. James.

Chapel Hill—J. W. Crow, L. C. Crow and R. F. Roberts.

Mount Pleasant—By Proxy.

Shoal Hill—By Proxy.

Walnut Creek—T. B. West, Robert Rice, C. F. Runion, R. S. Sprinkle and Miss Ethel West.

Valley Union—N. H. Rice.

Paint Fork—Miss Jennie Carter, Misses Z. V. Angel, R. G. Metcalf and S. J. Metcalf.

Organization came next. Election of officers resulted as follows: Chairman, Jasper Ebbs; Secretary, W. M. Clouse; Chaplain, J. E. James; Chorister, R. L. Brigmon,

Song by Choir—"Marching to our home, sweet home,"

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after which the Chairman took charge and proceeded to appoint the following committees:

Time, Place and Program—Frank Ramsey, G. Henry Ramsey, C. D. Herron, Jasper Ebbs, R. L. Roberts, T. A. Sawyer and Robert Crow.

Temperance—L. H. Griffith J. M. Gibbs and J. G. Halcombe.

Sunday School—J. W. Crow, G. Henry Ramsey, C. D. Herron, Miss Vivian McElroy and Miss Nettie Henderson.

Obituary—Rev. T. J. Eatman, H. Lee Gibbs and W. W. Angel.

Education—Neily Angel, Miss Effie Brigmon and Miss Maud Halcombe.

Resolutions—J. M. Gibbs, J. E. James and Wm Henderson.

Finance—J. M. Gibbs, C. D. Herron, J. W. Crow, Robert Crow, G. Henry Ramsey, H. H. Carson, Nelse Anderson and J. F. Carter.

Song, "Shall we sing with the blest?"

The following subject was then discussed: What is a loyal Sunday School and what is a Bible name for Sunday School?

Discussion was opened by J. W. Crow, who made a very interesting talk, also Rev. L. H. Griffith and others. Bro. Griffith said: "Teach the children the love of God and make Christians out of them and then they would make the Sunday Schools loyal schools.

On motion question was passed. Delegates were then assigned to homes. A motion was made to adjourn until Saturday morning at 9:30 o'clock. Doxology was sung and benediction pronounced by Rev. L. H. Griffith.

Saturday Morning.

Convention came together by singing "Jesus lover of my soul." Chaplain called on Rev. L. H. Griffith to make the opening prayer. Chairman Jasper Ebbs called the body to order and gave a cordial invitation to visitors and Sunday School workers to seats in the Convention. He made a short talk on the object of the Ivy Union Sunday School Convention and Sunday School work. Convention proceeded to business. Chairman appointed two Reading Clerks. Reports from various schools were then read, and good talks were made from nearly all the schools which showed they were in good working order. Song, "Some sweet day."

Question—"The need of instruction on the Sunday School Lesson at home?" to be opened by Bro. Lee Thomas. Mr. Thomas not being present, the Chairman called on C. D. Herron to open the discussion. Mr. Herron made a short talk and gave some helpful suggestions. Mr. Ebbs made a

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very forceful talk on the importance of studying the lesson at home. Mr. J. M. James said, "You cannot get out of any thing more than you put in it. You should study the lesson to be prepared to instruct the youthful mind. It is a mighty good thing to learn to do things well." Question passed. Song, "Look away to the heights. Motion to adjourn till 1:30 p. m. for dinner.

Afternoon Session.

Convention met according to adjournment, and after singing prayer was offered by Rev. J. M. Pickings. Chairman called the body to order. The following question was then open for discussion: "The best method of securing the best attendance in Sunday School. Opened by A. C. Angel who gave some good ideas on Sunday School attendance. Followed by Rev. L. H. Griffith and others. Mr. Griffith said in part: "The way to get people to come is to feed them. I do not mean temporal food, but spiritual food. The singing also a good method if actuated by the spirit."

Rev. J. M. Pickens said: "Get a Superintendent with fire in him, and teachers adapted to the several classes with as many different dispositions." Chairman Ebbs said among other things: "To advertise. The successful business man tells about his business. The Superintendent should tell about his Sunday School, advertise the business. Better go down in your pocket and buy literature and good books and educate your children than to go down in your pockets for money to pay fines and bills of cost." Song, "In Jesus' name." On motion question passed. Report on Temperance called and read. On motion report was passed. Song, "There'll be glory for the reapers." A motion was made to adjourn until 7:30 Saturday night. Closing prayer by the Chaplain.

Saturday Night.

After a short song service the Convention was led in prayer by C. D. Herron, after which the Chairman declared the Convention open for the transaction of unfinished business. Report on Education was read and adopted. Report on Time, Place and Program read and adopted as amended. Report on Finance read and adopted. Song, "Dying unsaved." The following question was then open for discussion: "The value of music in Sunday School," opened by G. Henry Ramsey who made a few very appropriate remarks, followed by L. H. Griffith who attributed 95 per cent of the success of Sunday Schools to music. Rev. J. M. Pickens spoke of the possibility of the vocal organ if properly trained

in youth. Question passed. By motion the Convention appointed Jasper Ebbs and J. W. Crow Missionaries. Fraternal Delegates to the Big Creek Union Sunday School Convention were then appointed as follows, viz: J. W. Crow, C. D. Herron, G. Henry Ramsey and A. C. Angel. A motion was made to adjourn until Sunday morning at 9:30 a. m. Closing prayer by Chaplain.

SUNDAY MORNING.

Convention met at 9:30 a. m. Devotional exercises conducted by the Chaplain. Song, "Nearer my God to thee." Prayer by Rev. J. M. Pickens. Report on Resolutions was read and adopted. Report on Sunday Schools called for and adopted. Motion made and carried to allow Wm. Clouse $5.00 for work on minutes. Song, "Shall we sing with the blest." Closing prayer by the Chaplain. As on Saturday a bountiful dinner was served on the grounds by the big hearted people of Beech Glen. After hearty hand-shakes and tender good-byes the delegates and visitors departed for their homes, feeling that they had thoroughly enjoyed the effort put forth in the Sunday School work. Thus ended one among the best sessions in the history of the Ivy Union Sunday School Convention.

Jasper Ebbs, Chairman, Trust, N. C.
W. M. Clouse, Secretary, Ivy, N. C.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Temperance.—We your Committee on Temperance beg to submit the following report: While we greatly rejoice and are grateful to Almighty God for the wonderful achievements and victories won by our people over this monster evil intemperance in the past, and while we heartily endorse and highly commend the course presented and wisdom shown by some of our leading officials of State and Nation for prohibition, and while we have learned from observation, experience and several other sources of the awful effects of intoxicating drinks in many different forms, and having seen its demoralizing effects, not only in the country at large, but also in the homes, and believing it to be the greatest evil to mankind of any in all the world. Not only because of its evil to the body, but also to the soul. We want to offer the following suggestions:

1. We suggest that all of our preachers preach directly on this subject at least once a year to all their congregations.

2. That all of our Sunday School Superintendents lecture upon this topic and greatly emphasize the temperance lesson as taught in the literature.

3. That all Sunday School workers be earnestly solicited to do all they can, and in every way they can to perpetuate this temperance movement.

4. And that all who love God and his cause to do all in their power against this prevalent and somewhat popular notion "That there is no harm in a dram."

Rev. L. H. Griffith, Joshua M. Gibbs,
J. G. Halcombe, Committee.

Sunday Schools.—We the Committee on Sunday Schools beg leave to submit the following report: We find that our Sunday Schools in the bounds of the Ivy Union Sunday School Convention are in a prosperous condition. That the reports from the different Sunday Schools show that there are more permanent work being done than ever before in the history of the Convention, and we feel that our Sunday Schools are accomplishing the purpose for which it was organized, taking advantage of the opportunities which the advance in education morally and religiously, and the outlook for the future of our Sunday Schools is very encouraging, and your committee feel confident that the Sunday Schools in the coming year will make greater progress than ever before in its history. It has and is covering ground and doing a work that no other Sunday School Convention has done or can do, in that it is getting people interested in Sunday School work that no other Sunday School Convention has hitherto done.

G. Henry Ramsey, J. W. Crow,
C. D. Herron, Miss Vivian McElroy,
Miss Nettie Briggs, Committee.

Education.—We your Committee on Education beg leave to submit the following report: Harace Mann the first school teacher of our country said: "To develop a person you must educate his character as well as his mind." We are proud to note that North Carolina is rapidly forging her way to the front in education by forming a compulsory school law along with others of her sister States. The Sunday School is an ideal place to lay the foundation for an education for our young people on whose shoulders the future of our country depends. It has been said that you can start a child in the way it should go and when it is old it will not depart from it. In the Sunday School is the best place to give the

child that culture it needs early in life, for more people get their beginning in life, or the first principals of their education, in Sunday Schools than any other place. Considering these things in this light can't we make them better by doing more ourselves. We are cognizant of the fact that teachers should be employed who are capable of training the child morally as well as mentally. Let us then strive to follow in the foot prints of that great moral educator Robert Raikes, making the best of it to-day. which is all we can claim, for yesterday is gone and to-morrow may never come.

Miss Effie Brigmon, Miss Maud Halcombe,
A. C. Angel, Committee.

Resolutions.—The Committee on Resolutions wish to report the following:

Resolved 1st. That the Ivy Union Sunday School Convention wish to return its thanks to the people of Beech Glen for the generosity shown the delegates and visitors during the Convention.

Resolved 2nd. That the Convention return its thanks to the Chairman, Hon. Jasper Ebbs, for the spirit of progressiveness that he brings to it, and for the excellent and earnest work.

Resolved 3rd. That the Convention return its thanks to the Secretary, Mr. W. M. Clouse, for his faithful service.

Resolved 4th. That the Convention return its thanks to the visitors, delegates and friends for their presence and in making the Convention a success.

Resolved 5th. That the Convention return its thanks to the Choir for the music that so well entertained the audience.

Resolved 6th.—That we return our thanks to our Heavenly parent for his watchful care and protection over us during another year, and for his many blessings to us.

R. L. Roberts, J. E. James,
Miss Pansy Anderson, Committee.

The Committee on Finance submit the following report. Received from various schools $12:79:

Miss Vivian McElroy, Miss Effie Brigmon, Miss Maud Halcombe. T. A. Sawyer and A. C. Angel having been appointed a special committee to assist the Finance Committee collected from the public $8.86. Total $21.65.

J. M. Gibbs, C.D. Herron.
G. Henry Ramsey, Robert Crow,
H. H. Carson Nelse Anderson,
J. F. Carter, Committee.

Time, Place and Program.—We your Committee on Time, Place and Program beg leave to submit the following report: At 10:30 a m. on Friday before the second Sunday in August 1914 the Fifty-Ninth Annual Session of the Ivy Union Sunday School Convention will meet and be held with the Anderson Branch Sunday School. Post Office Barnard, N. C. The Convention will be called to order by Mr. Jasper Ebbs, Chairman of Previous Convention. Song, prayer, Address of Welcome by Superintendent of Anderson Branch Sunday School. Response by G. Henry Ramsey, Introductory Address by C. D. Herron, Song, Adjournment until 1:30 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Enrollment of Delegates from various Sunday Schools, Election of officers for the ensuing year, Appointment of Committees. Subject for Discussion: "What is the best method for obtaining the best attendance in Sunday School?" Adjournment until 9:30 a. m.

SATURDAY MORNING.

Devotional Exercises, Report from various Sunday Schools. Subject for Discussion: "The unit of action," opened by G. Henry Ramsey, followed by Jasper Ebbs. Adjournment until 1:30 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Report of Committees. Subject for Discussion: "What have we on hand and how shall we dispose of it?" Opened by J. W. Crow. Adjournment until 7:30 p. m. Music, unfinished business. Question Box opened. Adjournment until 10:00 a. m.

SUNDAY MORNING.

Devotional Exercises by the Chaplain, Report on Sunday Schools, Report on Obituaries Sunday School Mass Meeting, Song, Benediction, Adjournment.

G. Henry Ramsey, C. D. Herron,
Jasper Ebbs, Frank Ramsey,
Committee.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

SCHOOLS.	SUPERIN'ANTS.	P. O. ADDRESS.	No. of Officers.	No. of Teachers.	No. of Sundays.	Enrollment.	Average attend'ce.	Chapters read.	Verses Memorized.	Questions answered.	Contribution to various objects.	Minute Fund.
Freezeland	Jasper Ebbs,	Trust,	4	4	42	32	28	9451		1210		$ 2 00
Anderson Branch,	J. H. Lunsford,	Barnard,	2	3	32		30	8326	1368	29		85
Beech Glen,	J. M. Gibbs,	Ivy,	6	4	48	90	42	15217	248	1861	$22 77	2 00
Dry Branch,	G. W. Briggs,	Marshall R. No. 4,	4	4	50		48	7458	2325		17 53	1 25
Red Hill,	J. G. Ramsey,	Marshall R. No. 4,	3	4	46		83	14846	2331			1 80
Laurel Fork,	H. M. Naves,	Marshall,				60	48	5445	287	1227		65
Chapel Hill,	T. M. Walin.	Dew Drop,	5	3	50		65	7370	2768			1 00
Mt. Pleasant,	Mrs. Mary Davis,	Trust,	4	4	39		32	2002	499	2799		75
Shoal Hill,	C. H. Brown,	Marshall,			35		28	5743	149	1141		50
Walnut Creek,	T. B. West,	Marshall R. No. 5,	5		32		69	5338		1210	34 61	1 00
Valley Union,	J. P. Messer,	Marshall R. No. 3,			20		23	1200	325	345		
Paint Fork,	J. E. Radford,	Paint Fork,	4	6	48	80	38	11406			7 00	1 14